## CHAPTER 94

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY BOARD

## H. F. 913

AN ACT creating an employment opportunity board authorized to grant funds for the creation of employment and making an appropriation.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

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- SECTION 1. NEW SECTION. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to  $\mathbf{2}$ foster the creation of new employment opportunities for those citizens 3 of the state who are unemployed.
  - NEW SECTION. **Definitions.** As used in this Act:
- 1. "Board" means the employment opportunity board created by 2 3 section three (3) of this Act.
- 2. "Executive secretary" means the executive secretary of the board, 4 designated in accordance with chapter twenty-eight D (28D) of the 5 6 Code.
- 3. "Eligible grantees" means a state agency, county, city, school district, nonprofit corporation, corporation for profit, partnership or pro-8 9 prietorship.
- 1 SEC. 3. New Section. Board created. There is created an employment opportunity board consisting of those persons who are mem-2 bers of the employment security commission created in section ninety-six point ten (96.10) of the Code. 3 4

  - SEC. 4. NEW SECTION. **Board functions.** The board may: 1. Accept funds or grants from any source, and all such receipts of the board are hereby appropriated for carrying out the purposes of this Act. The expenditure of any funds available to the board shall be by warrant to the treasurer of state drawn by the state comptroller upon vouchers authorized by the executive secretary.
  - 2. Make grants to eligible grantees upon application for projects satisfying the requirements of section six (6) of this Act. In determining whether to award a grant, the board shall consider:
  - a. The effect on the unemployment rate in the geographic area of the project.
  - b. The effect upon the preservation, improvement or reclamation of the physical environment, the conservation of various energy sources, or the protection of public health.
  - c. The effect on the general economy in the geographic area of the project.
    - d. The effect on the general economy of the state.
- Sec. 5. New Section. Executive secretary's duties. The execu-2 tive secretary shall:
  - Develop procedure and forms for applications for grants.
     Disburse the funds for grants approved by the board.
     Monitor grant projects for compliance with the application.
     Evaluate the effectiveness of the grant projects.
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- 7 5. Schedule meetings of the board.
  - 6. Publicize the availability of funds under this Act.
- Sec. 6. New Section. Requirements of applications.  $\mathbf{2}$ considered by the board an application for a grant must satisfy the fol-3 lowing requirements:
- 4 1. The project to be funded by the grant must create new employment opportunities and not fund existing employment of the prospec-

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- tive grantee or resume funding of projects for which the grantee has, without fault, terminated employees within the previous six months 7 8 and has not recalled those employes. All of the funds provided by the grant must be used for the compensation of those persons hired by the 9 grantee pursuant to the project funded by the grant. Applications by 10 prospective grantees other than a state agency or political subdivision 11 of the state must demonstrate the prospective grantee's inability to un-12 dertake the proposed project and thereby provide the additional em-13 14 ployment without the assistance of the grant.
  - 2. The benefits of the project result must inure primarily to the community or public at large, not primarily to the grantee, if the grantee is other than a public body.

3. The following conditions of employment must be satisfied:

a. The grantee must be the employer of those hired under the proj-

b. The employees under the project must be paid at the same rate as other employees doing similar work for the grantee.

c. The employees must be considered regular employees of the grantee and must be entitled to participate in benefit programs of the grantee on the same basis as other employees holding similar positions

with the grantee.

4. The following hiring preferences must be in effect for those to be

employed under the project:

a. First, those whose unemployment benefits have expired or who are ineligible for unemployment benefits; and

- 31 b. Second, those unemployed persons who are heads of households 32 as defined by section two (2), paragraph b of the Internal Revenue 33 Code of 1954.
- SEC. 7. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to 2 the employment opportunity board for the fiscal year beginning July 3 1, 1975, and ending June 30, 1976 the sum of one million (1,000,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry out this Act. However, if by October 15, 1975 the sum of at least three million 4 5 (3,000,000) dollars has not been made available to the board by the federal government, all appropriated funds shall revert to the general fund of the state.

Approved July 14, 1975

This Act was passed by the G.A. prior to July 1, 1975; see §3.12 of the Code

## CHAPTER 95 CIGARETTE\* TAX

H. F. 317

AN ACT relating to the taxation of cigarettes\* by providing for the sale and exchange of cigarette stamps and defining cigarette and package of cigarettes.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- Section 1. Section ninety-eight point one (98.1), subsections one (1)
- 2 and two (2), Code 1975, are amended to read as follows: